## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FILED

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Application of ExteNet Systems, Inc., for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Full Facilities-Based and Resold Competitive Local Exchange and Interexchange Services

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ExteNet Systems, Inc. ("Applicant") intends to provide infrastructure facilities (such as dark fiber and metro cell nodes) in connection with the transport and transmission of communications by wireless and wireline carriers. Applicant will initially rely on existing facilities held by Applicant or its subsidiary, ExteNet Systems (California) LLC, and will construct additional facilities as necessary.

Applicant expects that any outside plant construction ordinarily would be small in scale, consisting of construction of relatively short conduit routes, installations of poles or conduit where existing facilities are inadequate, and installation or construction of other small above-ground facilities. Further, such construction generally would occur in existing roadways or other previously developed and disturbed rights-of-way.

As the Commission has recognized, previously, it can be expected that such projects would fall within one or more categorical exemptions under CEQA. See, e.g., Decision 13-07-032, which granted full-facilities-based authority to Vodex Communications Corporation, subject to compliance with an expedited 21-day environmental review process.

To assure that there would be no significant adverse environmental impacts from any such construction, Applicant will follow the procedure described in Decision 13-07-032 to establish whether or not CEQA exemptions apply. This procedure is described in the opening paragraphs of the instant application. If a determination is made that the proposed construction is not exempt, Applicant would file a new application for approval of the contemplated project Applicant submits that the foregoing process assurers that can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that grant of the instant application may have a significant adverse effect on the environment.